

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

April 8, 2014

Proclaiming Public Health Week 2014

Each day, every Los Angeles County resident benefits from the services provided by the Department of Public Health (Department). The Department's responsibilities include restaurant and health facility inspections, communicable disease prevention and follow-up services, health education and outreach. These functions are crucial to ensure the County is a safe and healthy place to live, work and visit.

Each year, the County celebrates Public Health Week and recognizes the Department's efforts to protect health, prevent disease and injury, and promote health and well-being of all residents. This year's Public Health Week will take place on

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April 7-13, 2014, with the theme of "Prevention Starts With You." This theme was chosen to highlight the shift in our nation's health system with the implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the importance of well-supported public health systems in preventing disease, saving lives, and improving the health and wellness of the whole community.

In honor of Public Health Week, all County residents are invited to attend a Community Public Health Expo 2014, "Prevention Starts With You," on Friday, April 11, 2014, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm., at La Placita near Olvera Street. The event will include free health screenings, physical activity demonstrations, tips on how to stay healthy, and emergency preparedness information. Additionally, all County employees are invited to attend the Employee Public Health Expo and Countywide Fitness Challenge Kick-off, to be held today from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in Grand Park, located at 200 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:

1. Proclaim April 7-13, 2014, as "Public Health Week" in the County of Los Angeles; urge all residents, public officials and County employees, as well as community groups, clubs and organizations to join the effort to promote good public health practices throughout the County;

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2. Encourage all County employees to support and attend the Tuesday, April 8, 2014 Kick-off event at Grand Park located at 200 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
3. Encourage all residents to attend the Community Public Health Expo 2014, "Prevention Starts With You," on Friday, April 11, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at La Placita near Olvera Street.

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